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Hiram Seeks Funding to Build Trails

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Earlier this month at their November 4th regular business meeting, the Hiram City Council approved a Resolution in support of a grant application to the Georgia Recreation Trails Program.

A grant in the amount of \$125,000 is being sought to create a “greenbelt” trail that will connect Homer Leggett Park, the Silver Comet Trail, the Ruritan Sports Complex and The Events Place. Eventually, the desire is to provide connectivity to the Ben Hill Strickland, Sr. Park and the Hiram Amphitheater with a pedestrian culvert under State Route 92. The funding from this grant, if awarded, will be to design and build a concrete path that will circumscribe the Ruritan Sports Complex while also connecting other parks and recreational areas within proximity. If awarded, the City will have to fund a 20% match or \$25,000.



Hiram is fortunate to have an amenity like the Silver Comet Trail within the city limits and in proximity of other City recreational facilities. These recreational facilities all share access to the Seaboard Trailhead. Homer Leggett Park, a future Hiram Dog Park and the Ruritan Sports Complex are all located at this significant and highly utilized trailhead. “We envision a wonderful opportunity to provide interconnectivity between the Silver Comet Trail and City park facilities by constructing meandering sidewalks and concrete paths for those seeking a safe, convenience place to walk, run, roller blade or even walk their dog,” commented Robert T. Rokovitz, city manager.

The City recognizes that this grant is very competitive and is hopeful consideration for funding will be forthcoming. For more information about this grant application, please contact 770-943-3726.

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